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FOR NEA VELIOTES AND INR SAUNDERS; BRUSSELS FOR USEC; JERUSALEM FOR USDEL

E. O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PGOV EC US XF

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR BRIEFING OF EC-NINE AMBASSADORS BY ATHERTON

1. ON BEHALF OF HIS EC-NINE AMBASSADORIAL COLLEAGUES HERE IN ISRAEL, THE DANISH AMBASSADOR ASKED WHETHER ROY ATHERTON COULD BRIEF THE GROUP ON RECENT MIDDLE EAST DEVELOPMENTS. AFTER CONSULTING WITH ROY, I EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT OUR POLICY WAS TO CENTRALIZE ON SUCH BRIEFINGS FOR THE EC-NINE IN WASHINGTON, WHERE HIS DANISH COLLEAGUE WAS FREQUENTLY BRIEFED ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENCY OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. I TOLD HIM THAT ATHERTON WISHED TO STICK TO THIS POLICY AND THEREFORE SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO DECLINE.

2. ATHERTON ASKED THAT I SUGGEST A WASHINGTON BRIEFING BE PROVIDED TO THE DANISH AMBASSADOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. LEWIS

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